Greatest blame on their Conduct, should they in any point fail to U.H.J. Assist to the Utmost the Kings Officers who shall be employed on this Occasion: I have therefore the Kings Commands to Signify to you his Pleasure that you should Use your utmost endeavours with your Council and Assembly to induce them to Exert every means in their Power for Collecting and forwarding the Matterials of all Sorts and the Workmen which shall be wanted and which the Commander in Chief in North America or Brig. Gen Forbes shall require for this Service, and that your Province do also furnish every other As sistance of men Cattle Carriages &c. a &c. a that Shall be necessary for the Support and Maintainance of the Kings Forces that Shall be employed in this essential Work, as well as in all Farther operations to be undertaken in those parts the ensuing Campaign

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I am Sir your most Obedient Humble Serv.t W. Pitt

New York 28 March 1759.

Sir

With my Dispatches from M.r Secretary Pitt this Moment Received by the Hallifax Packet Came the enclosed for you, by which you will see, that the King has been pleased to direct me, and Brig." Gen. Forbes to lose no time in concerning the Properest and Speediest Means for Compleatly Restoring, if possible the Ruened Fort Duquesne to a Defensible and respectable State or for erecting another in the Room of it of Sufficient Strength and every way adequate to the Great importance of the Several Objects in the undisputed possession of the Ohio; of effectually calling off all Trade and Communication this way between Canaday and the Western and Southern Indians of protecting the British Colonies from the Incursions to which they have been exposed since the French Built the above Fort and thereby made themselves Masters of the Navigation of the Ohio, and of fixing again the Several Indian Nations in their Alliance with and Dependance upon his Majestys Government, for all which wise and good purposes, it is his Majestys pleasure, that you should use your utmost endeavours with your Council and Assembly to Induce them to Exert every means in the power for Collecting and forwarding the Materials of all sorts and the Workmen which shall be wanted and which the Commander in Chief in North America or Brig Gen Forbes shall require for this Service and that your Province do also furnish every other Assistance of Men Cattle, Carriages provisions &c.ª &c.ª that shall be Necessary for the Support and Maintainance of the Kings Forces p. 406 that shall be employed in the Essential Work, as well as in all farther operations to be Undertaken in those parts the Ensuing Campaign